

SENATE BILL No. 530

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 1-3-2.

Synopsis: Indiana-Michigan boundary line commission. Establishes the Indiana-Michigan boundary line commission to direct a retracement survey of the original 1827 Indiana-Michigan boundary. Establishes the Indiana-Michigan boundary line remonumentation fund, and appropriates \$500,000 to the fund from the state general fund for the commission's purposes. Provides that money in the fund does not revert to the state general fund until June 30, 2015. Provides that the law establishing the commission expires July 1, 2015.

Effective: July 1, 2009.

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January 15, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Commerce, Public Policy & Interstate Cooperation.

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First Regular Session 116th General Assembly (2009)

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning general provisions and to make an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 1-3-2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2009]:

4 **Chapter 2. Indiana-Michigan Boundary Line Commission**

5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "boundary county" refers to any**
6 **of the following:**

- 7 (1) Elkhart County.
8 (2) LaGrange County.
9 (3) LaPorte County.
10 (4) St. Joseph County.
11 (5) Steuben County.

12 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the**
13 **Indiana-Michigan boundary line commission established by section**
14 **4 of this chapter.**

15 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the**
16 **Indiana-Michigan boundary line remonumentation fund**
17 **established by section 9 of this chapter.**



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1 **Sec. 4. The Indiana-Michigan boundary line commission is**
2 **established.**

3 **Sec. 5. (a) The commission consists of five (5) members**
4 **appointed by the governor.**

5 **(b) Each commission member must be a surveyor registered**
6 **under IC 25-21.5.**

7 **(c) One (1) member of the commission must be appointed from**
8 **each of the boundary counties.**

9 **(d) The commission's chair must be:**

10 **(1) a commission member; and**

11 **(2) elected by a majority of the commission members.**

12 **Sec. 6. (a) A commission member is not entitled to compensation**
13 **for service on the commission.**

14 **(b) A commission member is entitled to the following:**

15 **(1) Reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under**
16 **IC 4-13-1-4.**

17 **(2) Other expenses actually incurred in connection with the**
18 **member's duties as provided in the state policies and**
19 **procedures established by the Indiana department of**
20 **administration and approved by the budget agency.**

21 **Sec. 7. The commission shall meet at least four (4) times each**
22 **year.**

23 **Sec. 8. (a) The commission shall administer and oversee a survey**
24 **and remonumentation of the Indiana-Michigan border.**

25 **(b) The survey required by this section shall install relatively**
26 **permanent monumentation at the mile post positions as established**
27 **by the original government survey of October 1827. However, the**
28 **commission may not replace lost mile post positions if the state of**
29 **Michigan does not participate in the project as authorized by**
30 **Michigan law.**

31 **(c) The commission may procure professional surveying services**
32 **through the Indiana department of administration. A contract for**
33 **surveying services must be awarded to a company incorporated in**
34 **Indiana.**

35 **(d) The commission shall review the survey upon completion of**
36 **each mile post.**

37 **(e) Upon completion of the survey, the commission shall submit**
38 **the survey to the general assembly for ratification.**

39 **Sec. 9. (a) The Indiana-Michigan boundary line**
40 **remonumentation fund is established to implement this chapter.**

41 **(b) The commission shall administer the fund.**

42 **(c) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from**

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1 money in the fund.

2 (d) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not
3 currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same
4 manner as other public money may be invested. Interest that
5 accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.

6 (e) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not
7 revert to the state general fund. However, money in the fund on
8 June 30, 2015, reverts to the state general fund.

9 (f) There is appropriated from the state general fund two
10 hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) to the fund for each of
11 the following state fiscal years:

12 (1) The state fiscal year ending June 30, 2010.

13 (2) The state fiscal year ending June 30, 2011.

14 (g) The commission may not spend more than five thousand
15 dollars (\$5,000) from the fund during each state fiscal year for the
16 commission's administrative expenses.

17 Sec. 10. This chapter expires July 1, 2015.

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